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BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, ROUTE 7
BAN BUNG, NORTH VIETNAM
1907N 10444E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE CONTINUING EFFORT BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE TO NEGATE THE EFFECTS OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST DRV TRANSPORTATION NETS. WITH THE COMPLETION OF THIS BY-PASS, THREE SITES ARE AVAILABLE TO CROSS THE NAM XAN (RIVER) IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE DESTROYED BAI XAI HIGHWAY BRIDGE.

2. REMARKS:

COLLATERAL REPORTS THE BAI XAI HIGHWAY BRIDGE SOUTHEAST OVER THE NAM XAN (), LOCATED ON ROUTE 7 AT BAN BUNG, TO BE DESTROYED AS A RESULT OF AIR STRIKES.

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3. MISSION READOUT:

UE 731/1, 18 JANUARY 1966, REVEALS A BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION JUST SOUTH OF THE DESTROYED BAI XAI HIGHWAY BRIDGE SOUTHEAST OVER THE NAM XAN (RIVER) ON ROUTE 7. GROUND SCARRING INDICATES THE USE OF EARTH MOVING EQUIPMENT TO EXTEND THE BY-PASS ROAD FROM BOTH BANKS OF THE NAM XAN. THE CENTER OF THE RIVER REMAINS OPEN AT THIS TIME. A PROBABLE FORD IS LOCATED TWO HUNDRED YARDS SOUTH OF THE BY-PASS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, AND A SERVICEABLE FORD IS LOCATED ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY YARDS NORTH OF THE CONSTRUCTION SITE.

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